

Sheboygan County Conservation Association

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January 2010

14 Feb 2010	Whitetail Bow hunters Club 24 th Annual Brat Fry 10:00 am til? Turkeys, Ham & other raffles Cty M Johnsonville Public welcome
07 Mar 2010	Howards Grove Rod & Gun Annual Smelt Fry – Serving 10:30 am til? Klemmes Wagon Wheel
07 Mar 2010	Sheboygan Falls Conservation Club – Brat Fry 11 am – 6 pm at club grounds
11 Mar 2010	Sheboygan County Ducks Unlimited Banquet Pine Hills Banquet Hall – for more information contact Dave Nett 920 565-2878
14 Mar 2010	Farmer's & Sportsmen's Conservation Club Annual Spring Fry @ Sheboygan Falls Municipal Building 10 am – 6 pm Steaks made to order – Drive thru service – raffles all day
14 Mar 2010	Howards Grove Rod & Gun Club Annual Smelt Fry – March 14 th , 2010 10 am - ? Wagon Wheel
25 Mar 2010	17 th Annual Sheboygan County Friends of NRA Banquet Range Line Inn – for more information contact Burt Schuldt 920 452-5444 or Jim Schuldt 920 893-9558
10 Apr 2010	Memorial Fun Shoot sponsored by Winooski Bowmen 10 am – 4 pm Winooski Bowmen Clubhouse Indoor Shooting (video archery & Novelty shooting) Outdoor shooting (3D target shooting) For more info contact Bill Rooker @ 893-9813 or Tom Rooker 980-7881 - We accept donations for the Food pantry
11 Apr 2010	Suscha Fale Sportsman's Club Brat Fry 11 am – 6 pm Jakum's Hall 2601 N 15 th Street

The January meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Dave Kozicke, President followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Motion made by Chris C. seconded by Jim M. to accept as mailed. Carried

Treasurers Report – Given by Lee Derus –Motioned by Lil P. seconded by Chris C. to accept - Carried

Correspondence

- **US Sportsman Alliance**
- **Wisconservation Paper**
- **Xmas Card from Jessica**
- **Thank You Share the Spirit**

Roll Call – missing were Between the Lakes Muskies – Northern Kettles Turkey Federation – Sauk Trail Conservation Club - Smerke's - WI Trappers

Committee Reports

- **Land Acquisition** – Mike DeMaster –nothing
- **Pheasant /Habitat-SCCA Awards** - Nominations for the Awards Banquet to be held Saturday, April 17th, 2010 at Klemme's Wagon Wheel. Nominations due to Bob Fenner by March 8th, 2010. Would like to see each club donate a door prize for the Awards Night.
- **Sheboygan River Basin** – no one in attendance
- **Banquet Report** – Dave Taylor & Mary Jo Robinson – Excellent turn out for the first meeting of the 2010 banquet committee – we enjoyed brats, burgers & chicken sandwiches, german potato salad & beans. Thank you to Hubie & Diana Nett for making the arrangements with Sauk Trail & frying the good food for the group. Thank you to those who were in

attendance - lot's of ideas. (ideally we'd like to see all clubs have at least 1 member work on the banquet committee) our next meeting is Tuesday, February 9th, Smerkes at 6:30 pm. For more info or questions contact *Dave Taylor* or *Mary Jo Robinson* – 2010 Banquet Co-chairs

- **Youth Committee/Trees for Tomorrow** – Jim Kloppenburg – 2010 Dates are Nov 7th thru 10th
- **Outdoor Activity Day** – Dave Schober – will be held June 5th - first planning meeting will be Monday, February 22nd @ 7 pm @ Camp Y Koda.
- **Easy Money Raffle** – Phil Mersberger handed out a flier that went out to all club presidents asking that they send their membership lists to Mary Jo Robinson for insertion into a spreadsheet for the SCCA Banquet & Easy Money mailing list. As of this meeting date we have received (8) of the clubs mailing lists. Please get your mailing list in soon so that we can get the list compiled. If you have someone that would be willing to type your list into the format that we will provide, please let Phil Mersberger or Mary Jo Robinson know.
- **Pig Roast** – Lil Pipping – The date for the Pig Roast is September 11th, 2010 at The Marsh. The first meeting of the Pig Roast committee will be held Monday, February 22nd @ 6 pm @ Camp Y Koda right before the Outdoor Activity Day meeting.

Affiliate Reports

- **WWF** –Lil P. – AB 138 passed – Governor override to DNR Secretary Bill-met with Representative Kestell asking him to support bill – he declined. AB 84 protects who is on the DNR & bill should be coming out for a vote-feels this bill is more important.

Representative Kestell said if AB 84 gets passed they'll support AB 138. WWF Annual meeting is the same night as SCCA Awards night. HSUS information- By bombarding the IRS with letters & our elected officials with emails, we will call attention to the arrogant practices of the HSUS. We must fight back now or our battles may be over. It's time we stand up in unison and say "ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!!!" We refuse to let those who are guided by misinformation & the lust for power to take over our agriculture, wildlife management & ownership & enjoyment of animals. Write a note or letter that says: "I respectfully ask the IRS to audit & investigate the alleged excessive & under reported lobbying activities of the Humane Society of the U.S." Put that note or letter in an envelope that is addressed to the "Internal Revenue Service, Fresno, CA 93888" (no street address or your return address is needed.) Put a 44¢ stamp on the envelope & drop it in the mail. That's it nothing more!!!

- **Camp Y-Koda** – Jeremiah Thank you to all the clubs who have already donated to the "Classroom Program Letters" & thanked all the clubs for their past support. Busy getting ready for spring & summer programs. The Mammals in WI program is in need of pelts. Connect Jeremiah if you can help.
- **DNR Personnel** – Dan W. - Welcome to Joseph Jerich, Warden Supervisor – he is new to the area & will work out of the Plymouth DNR office (x3008) or email Joseph.Jerich@wisconsin.org. Service center hours have changed – The Plymouth Service Center will only be open to the public Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am – 12:30 & 1:30 – 4:00 pm. The DNAR customer service line is still available 7 days a week 7 am -10 pm 888 936-7463. Snowmobile/Ski Trail Conditions-for Sheboygan County snowmobile trails, please call 892-7455 or check the Northern Kettles Snowmobile Club website at www.nkmsnow.com. For cross country ski trails you can contact the Nordic Ski Club at 467-2099 or the Kettle Moraine State Forest 262 626-21116. 2010 Sturgeon Spearfishing opens February 13th on Lake Winnebago or upriver lakes for spearfishers that hold the appropriate tag. All fishing tournaments now need a DNR permit. For more information go to the DNR website <http://dnr.wi.gov/fish/fishingtournaments>. For more information check out the DNR website or "The Woodchucks" Newsletter on the SCCA website <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/hunt/mentor.htm> or www.sheboygancountyconservationassociation.org
- **Conservation Congress – Scott Plocar** – In the meeting with Steve Kestell the biggest issue in the makeup of the DNR Board. AB 84 Bill makeup wants specific people on the board – if this bill would pass so would the other bill. **Ed Harvey** –230 resolutions

looking at about 52 of them that will advance. Convention is in Lake Geneva this year and the District Meeting is coming up soon. Obama dollars have been used for several different projects. **Mike DeMaster** – Big Gaming Committee met- deer donations down 45% - Spring Hearing last year resolutions to increase deer management-3 year moratorium on Earn A Buck.

- **Maywood** –Rebecca –not here Still looking for items on their wish list - if you can help contact Rebecca at Maywood @ 920 459-3906.
- **WI League of Conservation Voters – Gene Ecklor** thank you to all the clubs who donated to Lobby Day
- **W.O.A. – Hubie Nett** –Contact Hubie Nett for more information.
- **Great Lakes Sport Fisherman** – Larry Freitag Asian Carp is now in Lake Michigan – Perch & White Perch are in Green Bay.
- **Legislature –Senator Joe Liebham** – DNR Appointment Bill stalled in Assembly – days are limited as to when action can be taken. Pleased to represent concerns of deer hunters on deer hunt policies. A lot of sportsmen & women have been showing up at meeting for support-thank you. Joe is looking for input on Snowmobile bill - he's supportive but looking for more input. Will implement a policy which will discount if a member of a snowmobile club.
- **Reel 'Em In Club** - Dave Z. – still have 500 trout in tank.

Old Business

- **Marsh Tower** – Lil P. & Jim B still have bricks & steps for sale and the tower is now open.
- **Update email & mailing information** –if you have not already done so please contact Mary Jo Robinson with your name, club affiliation & email address to Mary Jo @ mjgpackers@charter.net.
- **Membership Forms** will be sent out in early February, they did not change this year as indicated earlier- return them as soon as possible.
- **Vote on Marsh Tower donation**– did not carry
- **Vote on Great Lakes Sport Fishing Club Banquet Request**- vote did not carry –Great Lakes Sport Fishing Club submitted a new request for \$4000.00 for the Kohler Andrae Pond- delegates to take back to the clubs for a new vote - Vote in February.

New Business

- **Earth Day 2010** – SCCA is looking for someone to spearhead a committee to work with Maywood who is celebrating 40 years with an event

scheduled for April 22nd, 2010. Ideas could include our menu board that shows what the SCCA does and what we are all about-got other ideas? Or would you like to help? Contact any member of the Board of Directors.

- **Petermann's Hunting & Fishing Club** is looking for wood 4 x 4 or 6 x 6 by 12 feet or longer. If you can help them out with a donation of wood please contact John Kuka @ 458-7181.
- **Elections** - Nominating Committee Gene Ecklor, Dave Taylor & Lil Pipping presented the slate of nominations for elections. Positions up for elections President-1st Vice President-2nd Vice President-Secretary-Treasurer & (2) Board Members (replacing John Kuka & Gene Ecklor who's terms are up in 2010)

New or returning Officers

President – Scott Plocar - new

1st Vice President – Dave Taylor

2nd Vice President – Bob Fenner

Secretary – Mary Jo Robinson

Treasurer – Lee Derus

Board Members

John Kuka

Bob Schumacher - new

Congratulations to the new members of the Board of Directors & thank the outgoing members Dave Kozicke & Gene Ecklor for their service to the SCCA Board of Directors.

- **SCCA Information**-Did you know that the SCCA will be 75 years old in 2011? Jim Kloppenburg shared some interesting facts about the beginning of the SCCA. Would like to form a committee to plan something for the 75th – Jim Kloppenburg will chair & Lil Pipping co chair but they need more help. Contact Jim or Lil to get on board this committee.

**Sheboygan Rifle & Pistol Club
Training Opportunities 2010**

NRA Basic Pistol Course	Starts Feb 3 rd
NRA Range Safety Officer Training	February 27 th
NRA Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course	March 13 th & 14 th
NRA Basic Pistol Course	Starts April 7 th
NRA Pistol & Personal Protection Instructor School	April 23 rd , 24 th & 25 th
NRA Personal Protection in the Home Course	July 9 th & 10 th
NRA Personal Protection outside the Home Course	August 21 st & 22 nd
NRA PPOTH Instructor School	August 28 th & 29 th

For course details, start times, course fee & registration call: *Burt Schuldt 920 452-5444*

Next Board Meeting – Monday, February 8th, 2010 @ 6:30 pm @ Maywood

Next regular SCCA meeting – Wednesday, February 17th, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. hosted by Crystal Lake Sportsmen's Club at Camp Y Koda Sheboygan Falls

Motion by Jim Meinnert - seconded by Rich Taylor to adjourn – carried.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Jo Robinson, Secretary